



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re Application of: Allen Carl  
Serial No.: 10/653,692  
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For: SELECTIVE DELIVERY OF CRYOGENIC ENERGY  
TO INTERVERTEBRAL DISC TISSUE AND  
RELATED METHODS OF INTRADISCAL  
HYPOTHERMIA THERAPY  
Group Art Unit: 3739  
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PETITION FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND

Applicant hereby petitions for a three (3) month extension of time to respond to the outstanding NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION mailed October 15, 2004 with respect to the above-identified patent application, thereby extending the time for response from December 15, 2004 to March 15, 2005.

A check in the amount of \$510.00 is enclosed to cover the cost of the petition fee. This petition fee has been calculated on the basis of a Small Entity status.

In the event that any additional fees may be required to be paid in connection with this matter, please charge the same, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-0221. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed for the convenience of the Office.

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